

Exhibit 36

STATE OF WISCONSIN : CIRCUIT COURT : MANITOWOC COUNTY
BRANCH 1

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

PLAINTIFF,

JURY TRIAL

TRIAL-DAY 27 VERDICT

vs.

Case No. 05 CF 381

STEVEN A. AVERY,

DEFENDANT.

DATE: MARCH 18, 2007

BEFORE: Hon. Patrick L. Willis
Circuit Court Judge

APPEARANCES:

KENNETH R. KRATZ
Special Prosecutor
On behalf of the State of Wisconsin.

THOMAS J. FALLON
Special Prosecutor
On behalf of the State of Wisconsin.

DEAN A. STRANG
Attorney at Law
On behalf of the Defendant.

JEROME F. BUTING
Attorney at Law
On behalf of the Defendant.

STEVEN A. AVERY
Defendant
Appeared in person.

* * * * *

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

Reported by Diane Tesheneck, RPR

Official Court Reporter

1 THE COURT: At this time we are on the
2 record outside the presence of the jury. The Court
3 has been informed that the jury has reached verdicts
4 in this matter. Will the parties present state
5 their appearances for the record.

6 ATTORNEY KRATZ: Your Honor, the State of
7 Wisconsin appears by Calumet County District
8 Attorney Ken Kratz, Assistant Attorney General Tom
9 Fallon, both appearing as Special Prosecutors.

10 ATTORNEY STRANG: Good afternoon, Steven
11 Avery is in person. Jerome Buting and Dean Strang
12 on his behalf.

13 THE COURT: Before the Court brings the
14 jury in and receives the verdicts, I want to remind
15 all those present in the courtroom that this is a
16 court of law. The Court recognizes the emotional
17 nature of this case and its importance to all
18 parties involved. However, vocal outbursts or
19 displays of emotion will not be tolerated. Any
20 violation will result in removal from the courtroom.
21 At this time I will ask that the jury be brought in.

22 (Jury present.)

23 THE COURT: You may be seated. Members of
24 the jury, the Court has been informed that the jury
25 has reached its verdicts in this case. At this time

1 I will ask the foreperson to present the verdicts to
2 the bailiff so that they may be brought forward.

3 At this time the Court will read the
4 verdicts. On Count 1, the verdict reads as
5 follows: We, the jury, find the defendant,
6 Steven A. Avery, guilty of first degree
7 intentional homicide as charged in the first
8 count of the Information.

9 On Count 2, the verdict reads: We, the
10 jury, find the defendant, Steven A. Avery, not
11 guilty of mutilating a corpse as charged in the
12 second count of the Information.

13 On Count 3, the verdict reads: We, the
14 jury, find the defendant, Steven Avery, guilty of
15 possession of a firearm as charged in the third
16 count of the Information.

17 The verdict on Count 1 is signed by the
18 foreperson of the jury, dated today. The other
19 verdicts are also signed by the foreperson of the
20 jury.

21 At this time the Court is going to poll
22 the jurors. I will ask the media folks to cut
23 the audio at this time.

24 Mr. Slaby, were the verdicts as read by
25 the Court, and are they still now, your verdicts

1 in this case?

2 MR. SLABY: Yes, your Honor.

3 THE COURT: Ms Free, were the verdicts as
4 read by the Court, and are they still now, your
5 verdicts in this case?

6 MS FREE: Yes, sir.

7 THE COURT: Ms Schmidt, were the verdicts
8 as read by the Court, and are they still now, your
9 verdicts in this case?

10 MS SCHMIDT: Yes, sir.

11 THE COURT: Ms Thorne, were the verdicts as
12 read by the Court, and are they still now, your
13 verdicts in this case?

14 MS THORNE: Yes, sir.

15 THE COURT: Ms Dorn, were the verdicts as
16 read by the Court, and are they still now, your
17 verdicts in this case?

18 MS DORN: Yes, sir.

19 THE COURT: Mr. Nelesen, were the verdicts
20 as read by the Court, and are they still now, your
21 verdicts in this case?

22 MR. NELESEN: Yes, sir.

23 THE COURT: Mr. Klein, were the verdicts as
24 read by the Court, and are they still now, your
25 verdicts in this case?

1 MR. KLEIN: Yes, your Honor.

2 THE COURT: Mr. Schuette, were the verdicts
3 as read by the Court, and are they still now, your
4 verdicts in this case?

5 MR. SCHUETTE: Yes, your Honor.

6 THE COURT: Ms Flint, were the verdicts as
7 read by the Court, and are they still now, your
8 verdicts in this case?

9 MS FLINT: Yes, your Honor.

10 THE COURT: Mr. Mohr, were the verdicts as
11 read by the Court, and are they still now, your
12 verdicts in this case?

13 MR. MOHR: Yes, your Honor.

14 THE COURT: Ms Stienmetz, were the verdicts
15 as read by the Court, and are they still now, your
16 verdicts in this case?

17 MS STIENMETZ: Yes, your Honor.

18 THE COURT: Mr. Wardman, were the verdicts
19 as read by the Court, and are they still now, your
20 verdicts in this case?

21 MR. WARDMAN: Yes, your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Members of the jury, on behalf
23 of Manitowoc County, I would like to express my
24 sincerest gratitude and appreciation for your
25 service in this case. I recognize the personal

1 sacrifice in terms of time and restrictions on your
2 normal activities that the Court has required of you
3 during this trial. That sacrifice is a necessary
4 part of the price we pay for the judicial system
5 every citizen enjoys. I hope that you found the
6 experience a rewarding one.

7 Before discharging you, I have one final
8 instruction. Now that your service in this case
9 is completed, some of you may have questions
10 about the confidentiality of the proceedings.
11 Many jurors ask if they are at liberty to discuss
12 the case with anyone after receipt of the
13 verdicts.

14 Because your role in this case is over,
15 you are free to discuss it with any person you
16 choose, if you wish. However, you should know
17 that you do not have to discuss the case with
18 anyone or answer any questions about it from
19 anyone other than the Court.

20 If you do decide to discuss the case
21 with anyone, I would suggest that you treat any
22 discussion with a degree of solemnity such that
23 whatever you do say, you would be willing to say
24 in the presence of your fellow jurors, or under
25 oath, here in open court, in the presence of the

1 parties.

2 Also, keep in mind, if you do decide to
3 discuss the case, that your fellow jurors freely
4 and fully stated their opinions with the
5 understanding that they were being expressed in
6 confidence. Please respect the privacy of the
7 views of your fellow jurors.

8 If any members of the jury wish to
9 discuss the case today with representatives of
10 the media, arrangements have been made to permit
11 you to do so before you leave. Should anyone,
12 whether from the media or otherwise, persist in
13 attempting to question you, over your objection,
14 you should contact the Court.

15 Finally, should any of you have any
16 questions for the Court before leaving today,
17 please, let the bailiff know before you leave the
18 jury room. At this time you are excused.

19 (Jurors excused.)

20 THE COURT: You may be seated. At this
21 time the Court will entertain any motions for
22 judgment on the verdicts.

23 ATTORNEY KRATZ: At this time, Judge, I
24 would ask the Court enter judgment on each of the
25 three verdicts.

1 THE COURT: Anything from the defense?

2 ATTORNEY STRANG: Your Honor, I ask that
3 the Court enter judgment of acquittal on Count 2 of
4 the second Amended Information. And I ask that the
5 Court withhold judgment on Counts 1 and 3, set a
6 schedule for post-verdict motions, in part,
7 inconsistent verdicts, and anything else we might
8 want to address.

9 THE COURT: The Court is going to, at this
10 time, enter a judgment on the three verdicts that
11 have been received, subject to further rulings from
12 the Court after full consideration of any post-trial
13 motions; that is, a judgment of conviction on Counts
14 1 and 3 and a judgment of acquittal on Count 2. I
15 do not have my calendar here today; it's in
16 Manitowoc.

17 I am going to, at this time, order a
18 Presentence Investigation Report. The Court will
19 schedule a hearing on any motions after they are
20 received and schedule a sentencing date after
21 conversing with counsel later, contingent on any
22 rulings on any post-trial motions.

23 ATTORNEY STRANG: Would 30 days for filing
24 the motions be acceptable?

25 THE COURT: Any objection from the State?

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25

ATTORNEY KRATZ: Are we setting those
before the sentencing hearing?

ATTORNEY STRANG: Yes.

THE COURT: Well, I will decide that when I
get them, if and when I get them. I don't have any
motions in front of me. I'm not going to speculate
about hearing dates at this time. The Court is
going to, however, order that bail be revoked in
this case. Is there anything further from either
party on the record today?

ATTORNEY KRATZ: Nothing for today, Judge.
Thank you.

ATTORNEY STRANG: No, your Honor.

THE COURT: Very well, we are adjourned.

(Proceedings concluded.)

1 STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) ss
2 COUNTY OF MANITOWOC)
3

4 I, Diane Tesheneck, Official Court
5 Reporter for Circuit Court Branch 1 and the State
6 of Wisconsin, do hereby certify that I reported
7 the foregoing matter and that the foregoing
8 transcript has been carefully prepared by me with
9 my computerized stenographic notes as taken by me
10 in machine shorthand, and by computer-assisted
11 transcription thereafter transcribed, and that it
12 is a true and correct transcript of the
13 proceedings had in said matter to the best of my
14 knowledge and ability.

15 Dated this 11th day of January, 2008.
16
17
18

19 _____
Diane Tesheneck, RPR
20 Official Court Reporter
21
22
23
24
25

0	computer-assisted [1] 10/10	foregoing [2] 10/7 10/7
05 [1] 1/5	computerized [1] 10/9	foreperson [3] 3/1 3/18 3/19
1	concluded [1] 9/15	forward [1] 3/2
11th [1] 10/15	confidence [1] 7/6	found [1] 6/5
18 [1] 1/8	confidentiality [1] 6/10	free [3] 4/3 4/6 6/15
2	consideration [1] 8/12	freely [1] 7/3
2007 [1] 1/8	contact [1] 7/14	front [1] 9/6
2008 [1] 10/15	contingent [1] 8/21	full [1] 8/12
27 [1] 1/4	conversing [1] 8/21	fully [1] 7/4
3	conviction [1] 8/13	further [2] 8/11 9/9
30 [1] 8/23	corpse [1] 3/11	G
381 [1] 1/5	correct [1] 10/12	General [1] 2/8
A	counsel [1] 8/21	going [5] 3/21 8/9 8/17 9/6 9/8
ability [1] 10/14	count [9] 3/4 3/8 3/9 3/12 3/13	Good [1] 2/10
acceptable [1] 8/24	3/16 3/17 8/3 8/14	gratitude [1] 5/24
acquittal [2] 8/3 8/14	Count 1 [1] 3/17	guilty [3] 3/6 3/11 3/14
activities [1] 6/2	Count 2 [1] 8/3	H
address [1] 8/8	Count 3 [1] 3/13	hearing [3] 8/19 9/2 9/7
adjourned [1] 9/14	Counts [2] 8/5 8/13	hereby [1] 10/6
afternoon [1] 2/10	COUNTY [4] 1/1 2/7 5/23 10/2	homicide [1] 3/7
Amended [1] 8/4	court [38]	Hon [1] 1/9
answer [1] 6/18	courtroom [2] 2/15 2/20	Honor [10] 2/6 4/2 5/1 5/5 5/9
anyone [5] 6/12 6/18 6/19 6/21	cut [1] 3/22	5/13 5/17 5/21 8/2 9/13
7/11	D	hope [1] 6/5
anything [3] 8/1 8/7 9/9	date [2] 1/8 8/20	however [3] 2/18 6/16 9/8
appearances [2] 1/11 2/5	dated [2] 3/18 10/15	I
Appeared [1] 1/21	dates [1] 9/7	I'm [1] 9/6
appearing [1] 2/9	day [2] 1/4 10/15	importance [1] 2/17
appears [1] 2/7	days [1] 8/23	in [39]
appreciation [1] 5/24	DEAN [2] 1/16 2/11	inconsistent [1] 8/7
arrangements [1] 7/10	decide [3] 6/20 7/2 9/4	Information [4] 3/8 3/12 3/16 8/4
Assistant [1] 2/8	defendant [7] 1/7 1/17 1/19 1/20	informed [2] 2/3 2/24
assisted [1] 10/10	3/5 3/10 3/14	instruction [1] 6/8
attempting [1] 7/13	defense [1] 8/1	intentional [1] 3/7
Attorney [4] 1/16 1/18 2/8 2/8	degree [2] 3/6 6/22	Investigation [1] 8/18
audio [1] 3/23	Diane [3] 1/24 10/4 10/19	involved [1] 2/18
AVERY [6] 1/6 1/20 2/11 3/6 3/10	discharging [1] 6/7	J
3/14	discuss [6] 6/11 6/15 6/17 6/20	January [1] 10/15
B	7/3 7/9	JEROME [2] 1/18 2/11
bail [1] 9/8	discussion [1] 6/22	Judge [3] 1/10 7/23 9/11
bailliff [2] 3/2 7/17	displays [1] 2/19	judgment [7] 7/22 7/24 8/3 8/5
Because [1] 6/14	District [1] 2/7	8/10 8/13 8/14
before [7] 1/9 2/13 6/7 7/11 7/16	Dorn [2] 4/15 4/18	judicial [1] 6/4
7/17 9/2	during [1] 6/3	jurors [6] 3/22 6/11 6/24 7/3 7/7
behalf [6] 1/13 1/15 1/17 1/19	E	7/19
2/12 5/22	each [1] 7/24	jury [16]
being [1] 7/5	either [1] 9/9	K
best [1] 10/13	else [1] 8/7	keep [1] 7/2
both [1] 2/9	emotion [1] 2/19	Ken [1] 2/8
BRANCH [2] 1/1 10/5	emotional [1] 2/16	KENNETH [1] 1/12
brings [1] 2/13	enjoys [1] 6/5	Klein [2] 4/23 5/1
brought [2] 2/21 3/2	enter [3] 7/24 8/3 8/10	knowledge [1] 10/14
BUTING [2] 1/18 2/11	entertain [1] 7/21	KRATZ [2] 1/12 2/8
C	every [1] 6/5	L
calendar [1] 8/15	excused [2] 7/18 7/19	later [1] 8/21
Calumet [1] 2/7	experience [1] 6/6	law [3] 1/16 1/18 2/16
carefully [1] 10/8	express [1] 5/23	leave [2] 7/11 7/17
case [24]	expressed [1] 7/5	leaving [1] 7/16
certify [1] 10/6	F	liberty [1] 6/11
CF [1] 1/5	FALLON [2] 1/14 2/9	M
charged [3] 3/7 3/11 3/15	fellow [3] 6/24 7/3 7/7	machine [1] 10/10
choose [1] 6/16	filing [1] 8/23	made [1] 7/10
CIRCUIT [3] 1/1 1/10 10/5	final [1] 6/7	MANITOWOC [4] 1/1 5/23 8/16
citizen [1] 6/5	Finally [1] 7/15	10/2
completed [1] 6/9	find [3] 3/5 3/10 3/14	Many [1] 6/11
computer [1] 10/10	firearm [1] 3/15	MARCH [1] 1/8
	first [2] 3/6 3/7	
	Flint [2] 5/6 5/9	
	folks [1] 3/22	
	follows [1] 3/5	

M	questions [3] 6/9 6/18 7/16	third [1] 3/15
matter [3] 2/4 10/7 10/13	R	THOMAS [1] 1/14
media [3] 3/22 7/10 7/12	reached [2] 2/3 2/25	Thorne [2] 4/11 4/14
members [3] 2/23 5/22 7/8	read [13]	those [2] 2/15 9/1
might [1] 8/7	reads [3] 3/4 3/9 3/13	three [2] 7/25 8/10
mind [1] 7/2	receipt [1] 6/12	time [13]
Mohr [2] 5/10 5/13	received [2] 8/11 8/20	today [6] 3/18 7/9 7/16 8/15 9/10
motions [7] 7/21 8/6 8/13 8/19	receives [1] 2/14	9/11
8/22 8/24 9/6	recognize [1] 5/25	tolerated [1] 2/19
MR [6] 4/2 4/22 5/1 5/5 5/13 5/21	recognizes [1] 2/16	Tom [1] 2/8
Mr. [6] 3/24 4/19 4/23 5/2 5/10	record [3] 2/2 2/5 9/10	transcribed [1] 10/11
5/18	remind [1] 2/14	transcript [3] 1/23 10/8 10/12
Mr. Klein [1] 4/23	removal [1] 2/20	transcription [1] 10/11
Mr. Mohr [1] 5/10	Report [1] 8/18	treat [1] 6/21
Mr. Nelesen [1] 4/19	reported [2] 1/24 10/6	trial [5] 1/4 1/4 6/3 8/12 8/22
Mr. Schuette [1] 5/2	Reporter [3] 1/25 10/5 10/19	TRIAL-DAY [1] 1/4
Mr. Slaby [1] 3/24	representatives [1] 7/9	true [1] 10/12
Mr. Wardman [1] 5/18	required [1] 6/2	U
Ms [12]	respect [1] 7/6	under [1] 6/24
mutilating [1] 3/11	restrictions [1] 6/1	understanding [1] 7/5
N	result [1] 2/20	V
nature [1] 2/17	revoked [1] 9/8	verdict [6] 1/4 3/4 3/9 3/13 3/17
necessary [1] 6/3	rewarding [1] 6/6	8/6
Nelesen [2] 4/19 4/22	role [1] 6/14	verdicts [35]
normal [1] 6/2	room [1] 7/18	Very [1] 9/14
notes [1] 10/9	RPR [2] 1/24 10/19	views [1] 7/7
Nothing [1] 9/11	rulings [2] 8/11 8/22	violation [1] 2/20
O	S	vocal [1] 2/18
oath [1] 6/25	sacrifice [2] 6/1 6/3	W
objection [2] 7/13 8/25	said [1] 10/13	want [2] 2/14 8/8
Official [3] 1/25 10/4 10/19	schedule [3] 8/6 8/19 8/20	Wardman [2] 5/18 5/21
open [1] 6/25	Schmidt [2] 4/7 4/10	we [8] 2/1 3/5 3/9 3/13 6/4 8/7 9/1
opinions [1] 7/4	Schuette [2] 5/2 5/5	9/14
order [2] 8/17 9/8	seated [2] 2/23 7/20	whatever [1] 6/23
other [2] 3/18 6/19	second [2] 3/12 8/4	whether [1] 7/12
otherwise [1] 7/12	sentencing [2] 8/20 9/2	willing [1] 6/23
outbursts [1] 2/18	service [2] 5/25 6/8	Willis [1] 1/9
outside [1] 2/2	set [1] 8/5	WISCONSIN [7] 1/1 1/3 1/13 1/15
over [2] 6/14 7/13	setting [1] 9/1	2/7 10/1 10/6
P	shorthand [1] 10/10	wish [2] 6/16 7/8
part [2] 6/4 8/6	should [4] 6/16 7/11 7/14 7/15	withhold [1] 8/5
parties [3] 2/4 2/18 7/1	signed [2] 3/17 3/19	
party [1] 9/10	sincerest [1] 5/24	
Patrick [1] 1/9	sir [5] 4/6 4/10 4/14 4/18 4/22	
pay [1] 6/4	Slaby [2] 3/24 4/2	
permit [1] 7/10	solemnity [1] 6/22	
persist [1] 7/12	Special [3] 1/12 1/14 2/9	
person [3] 1/21 2/11 6/15	speculate [1] 9/6	
personal [1] 5/25	ss [1] 10/1	
PLAINTIFF [1] 1/4	state [9] 1/1 1/3 1/13 1/15 2/4 2/6	
please [2] 7/6 7/17	8/25 10/1 10/5	
poll [1] 3/21	stated [1] 7/4	
possession [1] 3/15	stenographic [1] 10/9	
post [3] 8/6 8/12 8/22	STEVEN [6] 1/6 1/20 2/10 3/6 3/10	
post-trial [2] 8/12 8/22	3/14	
post-verdict [1] 8/6	Stienmetz [2] 5/14 5/17	
prepared [1] 10/8	still [12]	
presence [3] 2/2 6/24 6/25	STRANG [2] 1/16 2/11	
present [4] 2/4 2/15 2/22 3/1	subject [1] 8/11	
Presentence [1] 8/18	such [1] 6/22	
price [1] 6/4	suggest [1] 6/21	
privacy [1] 7/6	system [1] 6/4	
proceedings [4] 1/23 6/10 9/15	T	
10/13	taken [1] 10/9	
Prosecutor [2] 1/12 1/14	terms [1] 6/1	
Prosecutors [1] 2/9	Tesheneck [3] 1/24 10/4 10/19	
Q	Thank [1] 9/12	
question [1] 7/13	their [2] 2/5 7/4	
	there anything [1] 9/9	
	thereafter [1] 10/11	